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SUBJECT: Suspect Cuban Refugees

1. The US Immigration and Naturalization Service estimates that since Castro came to power, about 28 Cuban nationals who had applied for entry to the United States were refused admission or were induced to leave during the investigative period because of information indicating some subversive elements in their backgrounds. (INS does not specifically define the "investigative period," and apparently keeps it sufficiently flexible to permit necessary investigation.)

2. In some cases the individuals concerned had been temporarily admitted to the United States on a "deferred decision" basis while investigations were in progress. In other cases individuals withdrew their applications when informed that their admission would be subject to completion of investigation. In most cases the applicant left either at once or within several days of arrival.

3. We know of no case of an individual formally admitted to the United States who has subsequently been deported or expelled for connection with Castro subversive activities.

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